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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

This communication is in Response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed January 26, 2005.

The Examiner's allowance for claims 1, 2 and 4-25 is appreciatively noted. Concerning the Examiner's Reasons for allowance on page 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowability, the Applicants make the following comments. The Applicants do not concede that the reasons for allowance given by the Examiner are the only reasons that make the claims allowable. Additionally, the Applicants do not make any admission or concessions concerning the Examiner's statement on page 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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